

HOUSE RESOLUTION 72

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the pastor and congregation of Second Missionary Baptist Church upon the dedication of their new Chester Smith Educational Wing.

WHEREAS, it is highly fitting and appropriate that the elected officials of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to the dedicated members of those exemplary religious organizations who, through their richness of spirit and faith in God, commit themselves to building a better and brighter world; and

WHEREAS, throughout its one hundred three year history, Second Missionary Baptist Church has proudly stood in Davidson County, offering sanctuary and serving as a link to join the oft-remembered past with the much-anticipated future; and

WHEREAS, the congregational family and religious leaders of Second Missionary Baptist Church are people who have utilized their incredible gifts to reach out to those in need of kindness and spiritual renewal; and

WHEREAS, through their special endeavors, the members of Second Missionary Baptist Church have given unselfishly of themselves, their time, and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, Second Missionary Baptist Church is scheduled to join with special guest Hickory Grove Baptist Church of Brownsville, Tennessee, to celebrate and dedicate the church's Chester Smith Educational Wing on April 17, 2005; and

WHEREAS, as the result of the church's magnificent growth since its founding, Second Missionary Baptist Church realized the necessity for an educational center to accommodate those who wish to exalt God with a community of like-minded people and thus the Chester Smith Educational Wing became a reality; and

WHEREAS, Second Missionary Baptist Church is truly one of the great societal organizations and catalysts for positive spiritual change in our State and nation, and the members of this fine church should be appropriately honored for their admirable service to the Christian community and the good people of Nashville, Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Brother C.C. Barlow, Jr. and the congregation of Second Missionary Baptist Church upon the dedication of their new Chester Smith Educational Wing and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.